Kevin J. Allis, National Congress of American Indians

Kevin J. Allis is the CEO of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) and an enrolled member of the Forest County Potawatomi Community. He has over two decades of experience advancing the top priorities for Indian Country. Allis’ previous roles include executive director of the Native American Contractors Association, board chairman of the Potawatomi Business Development Corporation, and founder and president of Thunderbird Strategies, LLC.

Kathryn Finney, Tech Entrepreneur

Kathryn Finney is a builder, innovator, and futurist. She is the founder and former CEO of digitalundivided, a social enterprise that creates change through innovation and entrepreneurship. Since 2013, DID has raised over $100 million in investments. Finney was named a White House Champion of Change and is a past member of the National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship by the Obama Administration.

Larry Irving, The Irving Group

Larry Irving, CEO of the Irving Group, a technology consulting firm, produced the first empirical study proving the existence of the “digital divide.” As assistant secretary of commerce for communications and information and administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration during the Clinton Administration, Irving helped establish some of the earliest and most foundational U.S. domestic and international Internet policies. Irving is also the first African American elected to the Internet Hall of Fame.

Elizabeth Lindsey, Byte Back

Elizabeth Lindsey is the CEO of Byte Back, a dynamic DC-based nonprofit with a pathway of inclusive tech training that leads to living-wage careers. She was recognized in The Root 100, gave a TEDx talk, led a SXSW panel, and has been featured as a top 100 leadership speaker in Inc. Under her leadership, Byte Back has been nationally recognized for helping people thrive in a digital society and influencing a shift toward a diverse and inclusive tech sector.
Alan Morgan, National Rural Health Association

Alan Morgan serves as Chief Executive Officer for the National Rural Health Association and is one of the nation’s leading experts on rural health policy. Morgan previously served as a contributing author of “Policy & Politics in Nursing and Health Care” and “Rural Populations and Health.” Morgan also served as staff for former US Congressman Dick Nichols and former Kansas Governor Mike Hayden.

Angela Siefer, National Digital Inclusion Alliance

Angela Siefer is the Executive Director of the National Digital Inclusion Alliance, which she helped found in 2015. Siefer has been working in the digital inclusion space since 1997. She has physically set up computer labs in underserved areas, managed local digital inclusion programs, assisted the Department of Commerce’s Broadband Adoption Toolkit and testified before Congress. Siefer is committed to developing develops national strategies and solutions from the ground up.

Jose Antonio Tijernio, Hispanic Heritage Foundation

Jose Antonio Tijernio is president and CEO of the Hispanic Heritage Foundation, which focuses on education, workforce, leadership, and culture through service and innovation. Under Tijerino, HHF is recognized as a creative, agile, impact-focused organization boasting a network of 150,000 vetted 15-35 year old Latinos mobilized in the tech and STEM fields, entrepreneurship, finance, media, and other priority areas for America.

Dr. David Wilson, Morgan State University

David Wilson, Ed.D. is the 10th president of Morgan State University and has a long record of accomplishment and more than 30 years of experience in higher education administration. Dr. Wilson’s educational philosophy is to put the students’ experience first. As a leader, he is a consensus builder and a strong believer in transparency of process. His goal is to make Morgan State University a leader in producing the next wave of innovators in the United States.